

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, August 29

Note: My odds-line for my top four contenders is based on what I think each horse's chances are to win the race. For instance, if I make a horse 4-1, I think the horse's chances of winning are about 20%, so if the same exact race was run ten times, he'd win it twice. If I make all of the horses about the same odds, that's an indication that I think the race is wide open, or that I can't pinpoint a horse that appears to have a clear edge.

Meadowlands Race Picks by Bob Pandolfo

RACE 1

4 URBAN RENEWAL 4-1
2 SKATTEBO 4-1
1 YER SO BAD 9-2
8 LEW HAUBER 5-1

URBAN RENEWAL was used leaving, chased the pace and only lost by 3 ½ lengths in a race that set up for covers; edge...SKATTEBO has shown improvement in his last three starts; tries two turns tonight...YER SO BAD made a long three wide bid into and around the turn in last...LEW HAUBER was used hard leaving from post 10, tired badly in the lane but fits with these if he works out a better trip.

RACE 2

1 AINTMYFIRSTSTRO DEO 1-9
4 TANK LOUIS 5-1
6 YELLOW JACKET 5-1
2 KING OF STING 9-1

AIN'TMYFIRSTSTRO DEO won all four NJSS starts, now tries the Kindergarten Series...TANK LOUIS is a maiden but may be as good as any of the others...YELLOW JACKET won his last 2 starts off perfect trips.

RACE 3

2 MAXMAN 2-5
7 SCARPA 4-1
4 OREL BULLDOG 6-1
6 NEW HOPE 10-1

RACE 4

4 GRAND PRIX DEO 3-1
2 WHATARACE HANOVER 7-2
1 LEADING LADY 4-5
3 SUGAR PACKET 8-1

GRAND PRIX DEO has figured things out and comes off back to back career top efforts including a nice closing win against these same fillies last week, which was off a 26 day layoff...WHATARACE HANOVER set a solid pace and held okay in last...LEADING LADY raced well without cover to finish 2nd at 2/5 against these last week; she could be tough with the right trip but she doesn't lay over these....SUGAR PACKET needs a perfect trip to have a chance, but she does have Brett Beckwith in the bike. Beckwith reminds me of John Campbell in his decision making and sense of pace, which leads to a lot of good trips.

RACE 5

4 RIO DE JANEIRO 7-5
9 DAY ONE DANDY 5-2

2 MRS RATTIGAN 6-1
5 PURE LUXURY 8-1

RIO DE JANEIRO left to the early lead, yielded and was shuffled back, swung out behind weak cover and drew off to a sharp win; draws inside of main rival...DAY ONE DANDY hasn't raced in three weeks but won her last two starts and she's capable of a big mile if Ahle can work out a trip from post 9...MRS RATTIGAN also had some time off and she may improve on last.

RACE 6
6 MISS CHEVIOUS 2-1
1 GLITTERING 5-2
5 SCHNAPPS HANOVER 7-2
3 CALL ME CRAZY 8-1

MISS CHEVIOUS showed promise winning her debut at 1-2 odds then broke stride in her next two races, then was scratched lame. In her last start at The Meadows, she was raced off the pace over a sloppy track and she had some late pace...GLITTERING turned in an improved effort in last with a :26.3 final quarter; has a shot...SCHNAPPS HANOVER left sharply to the lead, yielded and was shuffled back; may be a good fit here.

RACE 7
7 MR MOUTON 2-5
3 MONSERRATE 4-1
5 BLACK VELVET AS 7-1
6 CHAMPAGNE PROBLEMS 8-1

MR MOUTON has raced well against top level trotters...MONSERRATE beat MR MOUTON back in May but hasn't done much since; qualified back well...BLACK VELVET AS trotting mare steps up sharp...CHAMPAGNE PROBLEMS was a game winner over weaker.

RACE 8
3 DAVID SEAMAN S 7-5
5 CAPTAIN JORDAN 2-1
4 TRILLION TIMES 6-1
6 AJAX BLUE CHIP 9-1

DAVID SEAMAN S left, yielded, was shuffled, came back on to finish a solid second behind CAPTAIN JORDAN, who got a perfect trip...TRILLION TIMES turned in a solid effort behind the top two...AJAX BLUE CHIP can improve on last.

RACE 9
2 BET A BUNDLE** 6-1
1 GALANTE A 8-5
5 DEAN B HANOVER 2-1
7 XPERT 6-1

BET A BUNDLE moves inside and picks up Andy McCarthy; upset call...GALANTE A has speed to control or sit a trip...DEAN B HANOVER has a shot from on or off the pace...XPERT is in good form.

RACE 10
1 PERFECT BODY 8-5
6 PERFECT HOPE DEO 2-1
5 STERL THE PEARL 5-2
8 WENDY J STRINGS 4-1

RACE 11

7 HUNTINGFORCHROME 10-1
1 EUPHORIA N 5-2
5 STOP THE SHOOTIN' 6-1
4 BOBCAT BAY 7-1

HUNTINGFORCHROME went 1:48.3 over this track as a three year old but he's been listless since, 0 for 22 over the last two years. He was moved into the Engblom barn for his last three starts but still didn't show much. He gets Beckwith after having 5 weeks off, and this barn does very well with fresh horse. They may have been trying to figure out what's been bothering him during that layoff...EUPHORIA N is consistent and his form is solid; may be the one to beat.

RACE 12

5 WORLD OF WISHES 8-5
7 SOUTHWIND GENDRY 5-2
2 WATER SPORTS TEEN 3-1
3 AMERICAN SON 4-1

WORLD OF WISHES moves into hot barn...SOUTHWIND GENDRY classy veteran drops...WATER SPORTS TEEN has dangerous speed...AMERICAN SON is in good form.

RACE 13

7 BIG HESS 8-5
2 CRUNCHY 2-1
1 FIZZING N 4-1
8 HUNGRYHUNGRY HIPPO 8-1

BIG HESS was used hard in his first start over the track and held the show...CRUNCHY perked up with Beckwith in the bike and may be the main rival here...FIZZING N also showed some life in last...HUNGRYHUNGRY HIPPO gets a big driver change off his last start.

RACE 14

7 MOVING ON OVER 5-2
6 J M MANDAMIN 5-2
8 ROCKNROLL GOLD 7-2
5 CHALK HANOVER 6-1

RACE 15

5 MR CONTESTANT 2-1
1 LOOKATMEGOAMIGO 4-1
3 HONOLUGOO 6-1
9 LOVE THIS BAR 8-1

MR CONTESTANT had no shot from post 7 in last at Monticello, won from post 6 two back. The last time he was here in May, he beat a considerably better field than this...LOOKATMEGOAMIGO has been dull in Massachusetts but makes first start for hot barn off a month off and I expect to see improvement...HONOLUGOO tries a different type of track and gets Beckwith...LOVE THIS BAR needs to work out a trip from post 9.

BEST BETS: BET A BUNDLE 9th Race